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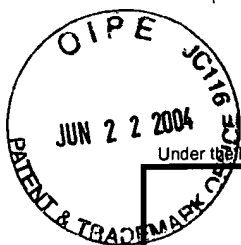
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Dear Examiner Amiri:

This Paper responds to the Office Action mailed on June 15, 2004. The Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims of the present application define patentable subject matter.



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